FLATHEAD COUNTY PLANNING BOARD WORKSHOP MINUTES FEBRUARY 12, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

A workshop of the Flathead County Planning Board was called to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. Board members present were Marie Hickey-AuClaire, Noah Bodman, Jim Heim, Tim Calaway, Greg Stevens, Jeff Larsen and Ron Schlegel. Gene Shellerud had an excused absence. BJ Grieve represented the Flathead County Planning & Zoning Office.

There were no people in the audience.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

DISCUSSION OF RESEARCH PERFORMED BY STAFF REGARDING HOME OCCUPATIONS AND ACCESSORY APARTMENT 9:20 pm Grieve passed out a handout from Erik Mack who had looked up, per board request, information on home occupation and accessory apartments. The information came from Gallatin, Cascade, Yellowstone and Butte Silverbow counties. The board will look at the information and discuss at a future workshop.

DISCUSSION TO DETERMINE SUBJECTS FOR FUTURE WORKSHOPS 9:22 pm

The board and Grieve discussed at length what topics they wanted to tackle next concerning the update to regulations which included vacation rentals, wedding facilities, home occupations and vacation rentals by owner (VRBO).

Schlegel and Grieve discussed what would be involved in tackling issues with RV Campgrounds.

The board and Grieve continued to discuss in detail what topics they wanted to work on.

The board and Grieve discussed the pros and cons of amending the zoning regulations concerning wedding venues. They continued to talk about home occupations and accessory apartments and if they needed to be amended.

The board discussed possible orders in which the issues

discussed would be worked on.

The board and Grieve discussed future dates for workshops. They decided on February 26, 2014 for the next workshop. They discussed the differences between Missoula and Kalispell concerning accessory apartments.

Grieve offered to distribute to the board research which had been done on accessory apartments for the next workshop.

The board and Grieve discussed the pros and cons and details of amending the zoning regulations for accessory apartments.

ADJOURNMENT The workshop was adjourned at approximately 10:15 pm.

Donna Valade, Recording Secretary Marie Hickey-AuClaire, Chairman

APPROVED AS **SUBMITTED**/CORRECTED: 4/9/14